

I have been subscribing to XM radio for about 2 years now. I pay \$10 a month because I was sick of poor selection and endless commercials on "free" radio. I enjoy the fact that I can choose to listen to unregulated radio. America is supposed to be about competition. It seems to me that just as the phone company has been deregulated allowing us to choose internet phone service, or any other service, satellite radio should be given the same freedom to compete locally and eventually globally. XM should be allowed to provide unique programming, including local traffic, news, or whatever else it chooses. I recommend that you reject the NAB's petition 04-160.